Trade links with associated traders and Sherwood International Export Company U.S.

3076. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has any trade links with M/s Associated Traders and M/s Sherwood International Export Co. of the US both arms dealers;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news of the Deccan Herald dated the 10th October, 1986; if so, what is Government's reaction in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Information sought is for the whole country which would include Governments of India and the States and the public and private sectors. Ministry of Defence is, therefore, at a loss to answer the question.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No news item having relevance to the contents in (a) above has appeared in Deccan Herald of 10th October 1986.

Elections of Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee

3077. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the elections of Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Prabandhak Committee is being held every 4/5 years as per Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Act;

(b) whether the elections of the Executive Committee/Board is being held every year;

(c) if so, when the elections of both were held last;

(d) what are the reasons for not holding elections of the above as per scheduled;

(e) whether any complaints for not holding elections for both the above were received by authorities concerned and the Government during 1.1.1985 to 20.11.1986;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in the matter;

(g) when the fresh elections are likely to be held; and

(h) what are the names, posts and status of the present members, office bearers of the Executive Board and the General Body?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) The first and the second general election of members to the Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Management Committee under the Act were held in 1975 and 1979 respectively.

(b) and (c) The last annual election of office bearers and members of the executive Board was held on 25.8.1982 and their term commenced w.e.f. 6 September, 1982 when results of the Election were declared and made effective by the Delhi High Court.

(d) Atmosphere was not found congenial for holding the election of the management Committee.

Election of the members of the Executive Board is required to be conducted by the President of the Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Management Committee.

(e) and (f) No complaint, as such, has been received by the Directorate Gurudwara Elections.

(g) The situation is being watched further for deciding upon an appropriate time for holding the general election to the Committee.

(h) As in the enclosed Statement.